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MAINE, UNH PROVE WORTHY ROAD WARRIORS BU pockets a pair of wins, UML splits, BC bounces back

Maine and New Hampshire had uphill battles this weekend, both traveling far from home to face tough WCHA opponents. That challenge, however, made the victories all the sweeter as both clubs came home netting a pair of huge non-conference wins.

The Black Bears clawed their way to two hard-earned wins against the 2nd-ranked Fighting Sioux in Grand Forks, ND. On Friday, Maine rode the momentum of an explosive, 5-goal second period to win, 6-2, with senior captain Michel Léveillé (Levis, QC) collecting a goal and two assists. Saturday, the Maine defense stole the show, shutting down the Sioux for a 3-1 victory.

The UNH Wildcats also enjoyed a stellar weekend, caging the Tigers of Colorado College on back-to-back nights, 4-3 and 7-2. Junior netminder Kevin Regan (South Boston, MA) turned aside 32 shots in the opener, and came back with 29 stops the next night. The Wildcats also got balanced scoring, with Mike Radja (Yorkville, IL) and Trevor Smith (North Vancouver, BC) each netting three goals on the weekend.

Boston University opened its Hockey East slate with two victories, the first a thrilling 4-3 come-from-behind victory against Northeastern. The next night, BU made the short drive to North Andover, and spoiled Merrimack's home opener, 4-1. The Warriors get back in action on Tuesday, against Atlantic Hockey power Holy Cross. The Northeastern Huskies also bounced back, blanking Union, 5-0, on Saturday for Adam Geragosian's (North Andover, MA) second career shutout. UMass Lowell got a measure of redemption after dropping a tight 2-1 decision on Friday to Northern Michigan in the opening round of the Mutual of Omaha Stampede at Nebraska-Omaha. The next night, the River Hawks took out their frustration on Niagara, with four freshmen scoring their first collegiate goals in a convincing 7-4 win.

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At Boston College, the Eagles shook off the ill effects of a 7-1 Friday night loss to Notre Dame to clip Bowling Green, 5-1, on Saturday. Providence, which lost to the Falcons, 4-2 on Friday, also dropped Saturday's game to the Irish, 6-1. The two games between Vermont and Michigan Tech couldn't have been any closer, but the Huskies prevailed both times, slipping past the Catamounts 4-3 in overtime on Friday, and winning 2-1 on Saturday.

2006-07 HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS

<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	W	L	T	<u>Pts</u>	Overall	<u>Goals</u>	Goals Against
Boston University	2	2	0	0	4	2-0-1	12	8
Boston College	1	1	0	0	2	2-1-0	11	10
Vermont	1	0	0	1	1	2-2-1	16	9
Northeastern	3	0	2	1	1	1-2-1	12	11
Maine	0	0	0	0	0	5-0-0	25	8
Massachusetts	0	0	0	0	0	1-0-1	6	5
New Hampshire	0	0	0	0	0	2-0-0	11	5
Providence	0	0	0	0	0	1-3-0	8	18
UMass Lowell	0	0	0	0	0	1-2-1	14	16
Merrimack	1	0	1	0	0	0-3-0	3	15

CCM/RBK HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE WEEK

TREVOR SMITH – New Hampshire Sophomore Forward; North Vancouver, BC

Registered five points (three goals, two assists) in the Wildcats sweep of Colorado College, including the game-winning strike in UNH's 4-3 win on Friday night.

SUPERSKILLS HOCKEY ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

TEDDY PURCELL – Maine

Freshman Forward; St. John's, NF

Scored the first goal each night for the Black Bears, and added an assist for good measure, as Maine swept North Dakota in Grand Forks.

RECENT RESULTS Friday, October 20

at Boston University 4, Northeastern 3 *
Maine 6, at North Dakota 2
New Hampshire 4, at Colorado College 3 &
Michigan Tech 4, at Vermont 3 (OT)
Bowling Green 4, at Providence 2 &
Northern Michigan 2, UMass Lowell 1 %
Notre Dame 7, at Boston College 1

Saturday, October 21

Boston University 4, at Merrimack 1 *
Maine 3, at North Dakota 1
New Hampshire 7, at Colorado College 2
at Northeastern 5, Union 0 &
UMass Lowell 7, Niagara 4 %
at Boston College 5, Bowling Green 1
Michigan Tech 2, at Vermont 1 &
Notre Dame 6, at Providence 1 &

UPCOMING GAMES Tuesday, October 24 Holy Cross at Merrimack

Thursday, October 26
Massachusetts at New Hampshire *

Friday, October 27

UMass Lowell at Boston University *
Merrimack at Providence *
Northeastern at Michigan (7:30pm)
Boston College at Wisconsin (8pm)

Saturday, October 28

Massachusetts at Maine *
Providence at UMass Lowell *
Brown at Merrimack
Yale at New Hampshire
Northeastern at Michigan (7:30pm) &
Boston College at Wisconsin (8pm) &

Sunday, October 29 Vermont at Dartmouth

* Hockey East game % Mutual of Omaha Stampede at Neb-Omaha & Commissioner's Series Cup game Games start at 7pm EST unless indicated

PURE HOCKEY DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

BEN BISHOP - Maine

Sophomore Goaltender; Des Peres, MO

Stopped 48 of 50 Fighting Sioux shots, and went almost 94 minutes without giving up a goal, to help Maine take a pair from 2nd-ranked North Dakota.

HONOR ROLL

Michel Léveillé, Maine (Sr. F; Levis, Quebec) - Collected five points on the weekend. Scored twice Saturday in the 3-1 win over North Dakota. On Friday night, he had a goal and two assists as the Black Bears won 6-2.

Eric Thomassian, BU (Sr. F; Rye, NY) - Made the most of his move to the Terriers' top line, assisting on five of his team's eight goals. Adam Geragosian, Northeastern (Jr. G; North Andover, MA) - Shut out Union, 5-0, with 32 saves to get the Huskies their first win.

Kevin Regan, UNH (Jr. G; South Boston, MA) – Amassed 61 saves on 66 shots in two wins over Colorado College. **Kenny Roche, BU** (Sr. F; South Boston, MA) – Scored game-winning goal with under a minute left in Terriers 4-3 victory over NU. Mike Radja, UNH (Jr. F; Yorkville, IL) and Matt Fornataro, UNH (Jr. F; Calgary, AB) - Both totaled four points in Colorado sweep.

Colin Vock, Vermont (Fr. F; Plymouth, MI) - Notched two goals in Friday's game against Michigan Tech.

Benn Ferriero, BC (So. F; Essex, MA) – Registered a career-high four points – two goals and two assists – in 5-1 win over Bowling Green. Jerry Pollastrone, UNH (So. F; Revere, MA) - Notched 2-2-4 with a +5 rating on the weekend vs. CC.

Joe Rooney, BC (Sr. F; Canton, MA) - Got a goal and three assists, equaling his career-high of four points, against Bowling Green. Joe Vitale, Northeastern (So. F; St. Louis, MO) - Scored the game-winner on a short-handed goal against Union on Saturday after a goal and an assist against Boston University on Friday night.

Pete MacArthur, BU (Jr. F; Clifton Park, NY) - Garnered a combined six points, including four goals (and BU's 10,000th all-time).

COLLEGIATE FIRSTS

Kyle Kraemer, NU (Fr. F; St. Louis, MO) First goal, 10/20/06 at BU

Jason Bergeron, UML (Fr. F; Bow. NH) First goal, 10/20/06 vs. N. Michigan

Bobby Butler, UNH (Fr. F; Marlboro, MA) First goal, 10/20/06 vs. Colorado College

Nick Schaus, UML (Fr. D; Orchard Park, NY) First goal, 10/21/06 vs. Niagara

Chris Donovan, NU (Fr. F; Fairfax Station, VA) First goal, 10/21/06 vs. Union

Kory Falite, UML (Fr. F; Billerica, MA) First goal, 10/21/06, vs. Niagara

Paul Worthington, UML (Fr. F; Penndal, PA) First goal, 10/21/06 vs. Niagara

J.C. Robitaille, MC (Fr. D; Madison, WI) First goal, 10/21/06 vs. Boston University

Ben Holstrom, UML (Fr. F; Colorado Springs, CO) First goal, 10/21/06 vs. Niagara











LEADING SCORERS (All Games)

	Player, School	CI	GP	G	Α	Pts
1	Michel Léveillé, Maine	Sr	5	4	5	9
2	Brock Bradford, BC	So	3	2	5	7
	Teddy Purcell, Maine	Fr	5	5	2	7
4	Pete MacArthur, BU	Jr	3	4	2	6
	Joe Rooney, BC	Sr	3	1	5	6
	Sean Sullivan, BU	Sr	3	1	5	6
	Bret Tyler, Maine	Jr	5	0	6	6
8	Trevor Smith, UNH	So	2	3	2	5
	Brian Boyle, BC	Sr	3	3	2	5
	Eric Thomassian, BU	Sr	3	0	5	5
	Wes Clark, Maine	Jr	5	3	2	5
	Keith Johnson, Maine	Sr	5	2	3	5
	Dean Strong, UVM	So	5	2	3	5
	Corey Carlson, UVM	So	5	2	3	5
	Keenan Hopson, Maine	Jr	5	1	4	5
	Torrey Mitchell, UVM	Jr	5	1	4	5
17	Mike Radja, UNH	Jr	2	3	1	4
	Jerry Pollastrone, UNH	So	2	2	2	4
	Matt Fornataro, UNH	Jr	2	0	4	4
	Benn Ferriero, BC	So	3	2	2	4
	Kenny Roche, BU	Sr	3	2	2	4
	Colin McDonald, PC	Sr.	4	4	0	4
	Joe Vitale, NU	So	4	3	1	4
	Jason Tejchma, UML	Sr	4	3	1	4
	Dennis McCauley, NU	So	4	2	2	4
	Jeremy Hall, UML	Sr	4	1	3	4
	Kory Falite, UML	Fr	4	1	3	4
	Jeremy Dehner, UML	Fr	4	0	4	4
	Josh Soares, Maine	Sr	5	2	2	4
	Brent Shepheard, Maine	Sr	5	2	2	4
	Matt Duffy, Maine	So	5	2	2	4
	Peter Lenes, UVM	So	5	2	2	4

LEADING GOALTENDERS (All Games)

Player, School	CI	GP	Min	W	L	Т	GAA	SP
1 Ben Bishop, Maine	So	5	281	5	0	0	1.49	.944
2 Joe Fallon, UVM	Jr	4	246	2	1	1	1.71	.926
3 Dan Meyers, UMas	s Fr	1	60	1	0	0	2.00	.900
4 John Curry, BU	Sr	3	185	2	0	1	2.59	.906
5 Kevin Regan, UNH	Jr	2	114	2	0	0	2.64	.924
6 Jon Quick, UMass	So	1	65	0	0	1	2.77	.900
7 Cory Schneider, BO) Jr	3	174	2	1	0	3.11	.888
8 Brad Thiessen, NU	Fr	3	185	0	2	1	3.57	.889
9 Tyler Sims, PC	Jr	2	114	0	2	0	3.70	.863
10 Carter Hutton, UML	_ Fr	3	182	0	2	1	3.95	.878

TEAM STATISTICS (All Games)

TEAM OFFENSE	GP	G	CDC
Team 1. New Hampshire 2. Maine 3. Boston University 4. Boston College 5. UMass Lowell 6. Vermont 7. Massachusetts Northeastern 9. Providence 10. Merrimack	2 5 3 4 5 2 4 4 3	11 25 12 11 14 16 6 12 8	5.00 4.00 3.67 3.50 3.20 3.00 3.00
TEAM DEFENSE Team	GP	GA	GAPG
1. Maine 2. Vermont 3. Massachusetts New Hampshire 5. Boston University 6. Northeastern 7. Boston College 8. UMass Lowell 9. Providence 10.Merrimack	5 5 2 2 3 4 3 4 3	8 9 5 5 8 11 10 16 18 15	1.60 1.80 2.50 2.50 2.67 2.75 3.33 4.00 4.50 5.00
POWER PLAY Team	Tota	als S	SHGA Pct
1. Maine 2. Boston University 3. Vermont 4. New Hampshire 5. UMass Lowell 6. Boston College 7. Massachusetts 8. Northeastern 9. Merrimack 10. Providence	9/ 2/ 4/ 4/ 2/ 3/ 1/	/41 /24 /46 /12 /25 /26 /14 /26 /18	0 29.3 0 20.8 0 19.6 0 16.7 0 16.0 0 15.4 0 14.3 1 11.5 1 5.6 2 4.0
PENALTY KILL Team	Tota	als S	SHG Pct
1. Vermont 2. Boston College 3. Northeastern 4. Maine 5. Boston University 6. Massachusetts 7. Providence 8. New Hampshire 9. Merrimack 10.UMass Lowell	35/ 22/ 32/ 27/ 21/ 10/ 23/ 12/ 20/ 11/	/24 /35 /32 /25 /12 /28 /16 /28	0 92.1 1 91.7 1 91.4 1 84.4 1 84.0 0 83.3 1 82.1 0 75.0 0 71.4 3 52.4
PENALTY MINUTES Team	GP	PiM	PMPG
1. Northeastern 2. Merrimack 3. Boston College 4. Boston University 5. Maine 6. Providence 7. New Hampshire 8. Vermont 9. UMass Lowell	4 3 3 3 5 4 2 5	125 86 77 75 97 73 34 8	31.2 28.7 25.7 25.0 19.4 18.2 17.0 16.8 14.2

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13.0

TEAM NOTES

Boston College: BC's second line – senior left wing Joe Rooney (one goal, three assists), sophomore center Benn Ferriero (two goals, two assists) and sophomore right wing Brock Bradford (three assists) – combined for 11 of BC's 14 points in a 5-1 win over Bowling Green.

Boston University: The Terriers registered a milestone goal, as Pete MacArthur (Clifton Park, NY) buried the program's 10,000 goal all-time in Friday night's 4-3 win against Northeastern. However, the goal would have rung hollow if not for the heroics of Kenny Roche (South Boston, MA), who got the game-winning tally with less than a minute left.

University of Maine: Maine swept North Dakota for the first time in the 18 meetings between the two teams ... Maine allowed only one power play goal on the weekend ... Maine also opened the 2003-04 season 5-0-0 (started 7-0-0 that season) ... The Black Bears will begin Hockey East play this weekend against Massachusetts.

University of Massachusetts: UMass played its annual Maroon & White Scrimmage on Saturday to offset the open week ... The Minutemen open conference play this week against New Hampshire and Maine ... Zech Klann (Peacedale, RI) is being honored on Wednesday for having the highest team GPA for the spring semester.

UMass Lowell: Six of the 11 freshmen in the lineup over the weekend recorded their first collegiate point, and four rookies had multi-point games in Saturday's victory. Kory Falite (1 goal, 3 assists), Paul Worthington (1 goal, 2 assists) and Jason Bergeron (2 goals) led the River Hawks at the Omaha Stampede ... UML begins Hockey East play this weekend at Boston University on Friday and at home against Providence on Saturday.

Merrimack College: Freshman J.C. Robitaille (Des Ruisseaux, QC) scored his first career goal in his first collegiate game Saturday night. The power play goal came just 4:49 into the contest ... The last time the Warriors started 0-3 was in 1998-99, when they opened the season with a pair of losses to St. Lawrence and one to UMass.

University of New Hampshire: Eleven players registered points this weekend, including eight players with multi-point efforts. UNH's top two lines accounted for 23 of the 31 points on the weekend, including 13 points by the second line of Pollastrone, Smith and Fornataro and 10 points by the first line of Jacob Micflikier (Winnipeg, MB), Mike Radja and Brett Hemingway (Surrey, BC) ... Colorado College had never been swept by a non-WCHA opponent at the new World Arena until Saturday night.

Northeastern University: Northeastern held Union scoreless on 12 power-play opportunities, including a five-minute major and 5-on-3 opportunity, and held Boston University to 1-for-8 on power plays on Friday ... Freshman goalie Brad Thiessen (Aldergrove, BC) had assists in back-to-back games against Vermont and Boston University. He is tied for third in career assists for a goalie at Northeastern behind Bruce Racine (8) and Keni Gibson (3).

Providence College: Dating to last season, Colin McDonald (Wethersfield, CT) has scored one goal in five consecutive games ... The Friars have scored just one power-play goal so far this season ... PC also has one short-handed goal.

University of Vermont: Friday's game marked just the second overtime loss in the last 18 overtime contests for the Catamounts (5-2-11) ... All four of Vermont's goals last weekend against Michigan Tech were scored by freshmen. Vermont takes on Dartmouth for the 69th time on Sunday.